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4354	9/20/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full
4355	9/18/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full
4356	9/19/49	Baltimore letter to Bureau	1	yes	
4357	9/20/49	New York memo	1	yes	
4358	9/20/49	New York memo	1	yes	
4359	9/20/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office	2	yes	
4360	9/21/49	New York memo	2	no	released in full
4361	9/19/49	Washington Field Office letter to Bureau	1	yes	
4362	9/19/49	Washington Field Office letter to Bureau	1	yes	
4363	9/20/49	Bureau memo to El Paso	1	yes	
4364	9/21/49	Bureau teletype to Boston, New York	1	yes	
4365	9/21/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full

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4366	9/21/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office	2	yes	
4367	9/21/49	Richmond teletype to Bureau, Baltimore New York	2	yes	
4368	9/21/49	Baltimore teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office, New York	1	yes	
4369	9/21/49	Philadelphia teletype to Bureau, New York, Baltimore	1	yes	
4370	9/21/49	Pittsburgh teletype to Bureau, New York, Baltimore	1	yes	
4371	9/21/49	Chicago teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office, Baltimore, Boston, Newark, Philadelphia, New York	1	yes	
4372	9/16/49	Baltimore letter to Bureau	4	yes	
4373	9/19/49	Baltimore letter to Bureau	6	yes	
4374	9/20/49	Chicago teletype to Buffalo	1	no	released in full
4375	9/20/49	New Haven letter to Bureau	1	yes	
4376	9/20/49	Washington Field Office memo to Bureau	1	yes	
4377	9/20/49	New Haven memo to New York	1	no	released in full

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4378	9/20/49	Baltimore letter to Bureau	3	yes	
4379	9/22/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full
4380	9/22/49	Philadelphia teletype to New York	1	no	released in full
4381	9/19/49	Chicago letter to Bureau	2	yes	
4382	9/19/49	Washington Field Office letter to Bureau	3	yes	
4383	9/20/49	Washington Field Office letter to Bureau	2	yes	
4384	9/22/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, New York	1	yes	
4385	9/22/49	Washington Field Office teletype to New York	1	yes	
4386	9/22/49	Baltimore teletype to Bureau, New York	1	yes	
4387	9/22/49	Washington Field Office teletype to New York	1	yes	
4388	9/22/49	Washington Field Office teletype to Bureau, New York	5	yes	
4389	9/22/49	New York teletype to Bureau	1	yes	

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4390	9/22/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Boston	1	yes	
4391	9/22/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Philadelphia	1	yes	
4392	9/22/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Los Angeles	1	yes	
4393	9/21/49	Washington Field Office letter to Bureau	1	yes	
4394	9/22/49	Bureau teletype to Boston, New York	1	yes	
4395	9/22/49	Philadelphia teletype to Bureau, New York	1	yes	
4396	9/22/49	Bureau teletype to Baltimore, New York	1	yes	
4397	9/22/49	Chicago teletype to Bureau, New York, Boston	1	yes	
4398	9/22/49	Los Angeles teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office	2	yes	
4399	9/22/49	Los Angeles teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office	1	yes	
4400	9/23/49	Baltimore Philadelphia teletype to Bureau, New York,	1	yes	
4401	9/23/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full

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4402	9/22/49	Bureau letter to New Haven	1	yes	
4403	9/23/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full
4404	9/21/49	Baltimore teletype to Bureau, New York	1	yes	
4405	9/23/49	Boston teletype to Bureau, New York	1	yes	
4406	9/23/49	Baltimore teletype to Bureau, New York	2	yes	
4407	9/23/49	Los Angeles teletype to New York	1	no	released in full
4408	9/23/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Los Angeles	1	yes	
4409	9/23/49	New York teletype to Bureau	1	yes	
4410	9/24/49	Baltimore teletype to Bureau, New York	1	yes	
4411	9/16/49	Atlanta report	2	yes	
4412	9/22/49	Baltimore letter to Bureau	1	yes	
4413	9/26/49	Newark teletype to Bureau, New York, Baltimore, Boston	1	yes	



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4414	9/26/49	Richmond teletype to Bureau, Baltimore, New York	1	yes	
4415	3/3/48	Letter to New York from State Department	3	no	referred State Dept
4416	4/20/49	Letter to New York from State Department	5	no	referred State Dept
4417	9/14/49	Bureau letter to Washington Field Office	4	yes	
4418	9/23/49	Newark teletype to Bureau, New York, Baltimore	1	yes	
4419	9/23/49	Newark teletype to Bureau, New York, Baltimore	1	yes	
4420	9/26/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full
4421	9/26/49	Albany teletype to Bureau, New York, Baltimore	1	yes	
4422	9/26/49	Baltimore teletype to Bureau, New York	1	yes	
4423	9/23/49	Baltimore letter to Bureau	2	yes	
4424	9/23/49	New York letter to Bureau	1	yes	
4425	9/23/49	Buffalo letter to Bureau	5	yes	

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4426	9/26/49	Los Angeles teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office, New York	1	yes	
4427	9/26/49	Boston teletype to Bureau, New York	1	yes	
4428	9/26/49	New York teletype to Newark	1	no	released in full
4429	9/26/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Richmond	1	yes	
4430	9/23/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full
4431	9/22/49	Savannah letter to Bureau	1	yes	
4432	9/22/49	Los Angeles letter to Bureau	1	yes	
4433	9/21/49	Washington Field Office memo to Bureau	1	yes	
4433A	9/24/49	Miami letter to Bureau	1	yes	
4434	9/23/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full
4435	9/23/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full
4436	9/23/49	St. Louis teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office, New York	2	yes	

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4437	9/26/49	New York teletype to Boston	1	no	released in full
4438	9/23/49	San Francisco report	5	yes	
4439	9/27/49	Richmond teletype to Bureau, Baltimore New York	1	yes	
4440	9/27/49	Boston teletype to New York, Baltimore	1	no	released in full
4441	9/20/49	San Francisco letter to Bureau	1	yes	
4442	9/27/49	Baltimore teletype to Bureau, New York, Los Angeles	1	yes	
4443	9/27/49	New York memo (note-by telephone to Bureau)	2	yes	
4444	9/26/49	Bureau teletype to New York	1	yes	
4445	9/27/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full
4446	9/27/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office	1	yes	
4447	9/26/49	(carbon copy to Bureau) New York teletype to Denver	7	yes	
4448	9/26/49	New York teletype to Albany	1	yes	

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4449	9/26/49	New York letter to Bureau	1	yes	
4450	9/27/49	New York memo	2	no	released in full
4451	9/27/49	New York letter to Boston	1	no	released in full
4452	9/27/49	New York letter to Bureau	1	yes	
4453	9/27/49	New York letter to Bureau	1	yes	
4454	9/28/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office	1	yes	
4455	9/27/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Baltimore	1	yes	
4456	9/27/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Boston	1	yes	
4457	9/27/49	Los Angeles teletype to Bureau, New York, Baltimore	2	yes	
4458	9/27/49	Richmond teletype to Bureau, Baltimore, New York	1	yes	
4459	9/27/49	Miami teletype to Bureau, New York, Baltimore	1	yes	
4460	9/27/49	Boston teletype to Bureau, New York	1	yes	

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4461	9/22/49	Memphis report	4	yes	
4462	9/26/49	Bureau teletype to Chicago	1	yes	
4463	9/26/49	Detroit letter to Bureau	1	yes	
4464	9/26/49	New Haven report	9	yes	
4465	9/26/49	Chicago report	15	yes	
4466	9/26/49	Kansas City report	3	yes	
4467	9/27/49	Washington Field Office letter to Bureau	1	yes	
4468	9/28/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full
4469	9/28/49	Baltimore teletype to Bureau, New York, Los Angeles	1	yes	
4470	9/28/49	Baltimore teletype to Bureau, New York	1	yes	
4471	9/28/49	Baltimore teletype to Bureau, New York	1	yes	

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4472	9/27/49	Boston letter to Bureau	3	yes	
4473	9/27/49	New York memo	2	no	released in full
4474	9/28/49	Miami teletype to Bureau, New York, Baltimore	1	yes	
4475	9/28/49	Boston teletype to Bureau, New York	1	yes	
4476	9/28/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full
4477	9/28/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full
4478	9/28/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Boston	1	yes	
4479	9/28/49	New York letter to Bureau	1	yes	
4480	9/29/49	Baltimore teletype to Bureau, New York	2	yes	
4481	9/23/49	New York memo	2	no	released in full
4482	9/27/49	New York report	2	yes	
4483	9/29/49	New York letter to Bureau	1	yes	

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4484	9/29/49	New York letter to Bureau	2	yes	
4485	9/28/49	Cleveland letter to Philadelphia	2	yes	
4486	9/29/49	New York teletype to Bureau, Washington Field Office	1	yes	
4487	9/29/49	Boston teletype to Bureau, New York	1	yes	
4488	9/29/49	Boston teletype to Bureau, New York	1	yes	
4489	9/29/49	Baltimore letter to Bureau	1	yes	
4490	9/28/49	Baltimore report	42	yes	
4491	9/30/49	New York teletype to Philadelphia	2	yes	
4492	10/1/49	Seattle letter to Bureau	4	yes	
4493	10/1/49	San Francisco report	4	yes	
4494	9/29/49	New York letter to Bureau	2	yes	
4495	9/29/49	Bureau letter to San Francisco	1	yes	



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4496	9/29/49	Bureau letter to Baltimore	1	yes	
4497	9/30/49	Albany teletype to Bureau, Boston, New York	1	yes	
4498	9/29/49	Bureau memo to Baltimore	1	yes	
4499	9/30/49	Baltimore teletype to Bureau, New York, Richmond	1	yes	
4500	10/3/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full
4501	10/3/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full
4502	10/3/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full
4503	10/3/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full
4504	10/3/49	New York memo	1	no	released in full
4505	9/30/49	Los Angeles teletype to Bureau, New York	1	yes	
4506	9/28/49	El Paso memo to Bureau	1	yes	
4507	9/29/49	Denver memo to New York	1	no	released in full



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4508	9/29/49	Denver report	2	yes	
4509	9/29/49	Richmond report	8	yes	
4510	9/30/49	Bureau memo to New York	1	yes	
4511	9/30/49	Miami report	4	yes	
4512	10/1/49	Boston report	10	yes	
4513	10/3/49	Boston teletype to Bureau, New York	1	yes	
4514	10/3/49	Philadelphia teletype to New York	1	no	released in full
4515	10/3/49	Bureau teletype to Boston, New York	1	yes	
4516	10/3/49	Richmond teletype to Bureau, Baltimore, New York	1	yes	
4517	9/30/49	Newark report	4	yes	
4518	9/29/49	Albany report	5	yes	
4519	9/30/49	Philadelphia report	7	yes	

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK  
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SUBJECT: JAHAM  
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DATE: September 29, 1949

Retel from Boston dated September 26, 1949.

AUSTIN W. SCOTT, JR., Assistant Professor of Law, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado, was interviewed in this case as reflected in the report of SA WILLIAM E. ROBINSON dated September 29, 1949, at Denver, Colorado. During this interview he was asked as to whether he knew the present whereabouts of those persons listed in referenced teletype as persons whose whereabouts are unknown. He stated he cannot recall any of these individuals and knows nothing about them at this time.

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cc-Boston  
cc-Baltimore

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
New York 7, New York

October 3, 1949

MEMO:

Re: JAHAM  
ESPIONAGE - R

In connection with AUSA MURPHY'S preparation for answering the defense attorneys' motion for a change in venue, he has requested that this office obtain the circulation in Vermont for the following magazines: "Life", "Time", and "Newsweek". If possible, these circulations should be broken down for the months of June, July and August.

THOMAS G. SPENCER

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
New York 7, New York

October 3, 1949

MEMO:

Re: JAHAM  
ESPIONAGE - R

In connection with AUSA MURPHY'S preparation for answering the defense motion for a change in venue, he has requested that this office obtain the names of the "daily" newspapers published in Vermont, and thereafter obtain the circulation. If possible, the circulation for the months of May, June, July, and August should be obtained. He has also requested that the circulation for these months, if possible, also be obtained for the following Boston papers, "The Record", "The Globe", "The Traveler" and "The Post". It is believed that this information can be obtained from the publication, "Editor and Publisher".

THOMAS G. SPENCER, SA

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<i>Director</i>

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
New York 7, New York

October 3, 1949

MEMO:

Re: JAHAM  
ESPIONAGE -- R

In connection with the retrial of instant case, AUSA T. F. MURPHY has requested that this office obtain all articles concerning the HISS trial that were written by JOHN CHABOT SMITH, a staff writer of the "New York World Telegram". It is believed that all these clippings can be found in the newspaper sub-file in instant case.

THOMAS G. SPENCER, SA

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United States Department of Justice  
New York 7, New York

October 3, 1949

MEMO:

Re: JAHAM  
ESPIONAGE - R

As a result of a conference in connection with the retrial of the HISS case and the recent indication of the defense attorneys' plans for filing a motion for a change in venue, Mr. T. F. MURPHY has requested ~~the~~ moving ~~AND~~ opposition for the change in venue in the recent Lonely Hearts Murder Case involving RAYMOND FERNANDZ and MARTHA BECK. The motion for this change in venue was made at Mineola, Long Island, New York.

THOMAS G. SPENCER, SA

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice

New York, 7, New York

October 3, 1949

MEMO:

Re: JAHAM  
ESPIONAGE - R

In connection with the recent moving of the HISS' attorneys to ask for a change of venue to the State of Vermont in connection with the retrial of this case, certain investigation has been requested by AUSA MURPHY in order to prepare him for arguments in connection with the opposition to this motion.

SA J. M. KELLY advised that there is a weekly program at 6:15 P.M. each Saturday over the Columbia Broadcasting Station which is entitled, "DON HOLLENBECK Views the Press". It is suggested that a review of this weekly program be made commencing with May 31, 1945 and continuing through July 30, 1949; in the event that it is found that any mention of the HISS case is made, that portion of the program should be obtained verbatim.

THOMAS G. SPENCER, SA

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September 23, 1949

MEMORANDUM:

Re: JAHAM

AUSA T. F. Murphy advised the writer on September 22 that he had received the following information from a contact of his:

Murphy stated that this contact received this information from an extremely reliable source, but the contact intimated that he felt the information was "probably gossip," giving it to Mr. Murphy for whatever value it might have.

This story is in effect that about two years ago, at the institution of the Loyalty Program by the Bureau, a good number of people in the State Department either quit because of the pending loyalty investigation, or were fired from the State Department because of the results of the loyalty investigation. A good many of these people, according to Mr. Murphy's informant, were said to have obtained positions with the Institute of Education, 2 West 45th Street, New York City. The Institute of Education allegedly relied to quite some extent for its financial backing on the Carnegie Endowment Fund.

According to Mr. Murphy's informant, ALGER HISS and LAWRENCE DUGGAN were very close friends, and the allegation is that when these people were let out of the State Department or resigned, ALGER HISS called or wrote DUGGAN and requested a position for these people, the insinuation being that HISS practically forced these people on DUGGAN, and again insinuating that if DUGGAN did not hire these people HISS, through his high connections with the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, would cut off the Institute of Education's funds from the Carnegie Foundation.

Mr. Murphy advised that if there is any basis for the fact that the Institute of Education does receive funds from the Carnegie Foundation, there is a possibility there may be some grain of truth in the above allegations; further, that if so, the possibility exists that there may be some correspondence in the files of the Institute of Education which might have some bearing on ALGER HISS and possibly of use to the retrial of this case.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent Robert F. X. O'Keefe dated May 17, 1949, at New York City, which sets forth an interview had with Mr. ARTHUR W. ROARK, a private investigator in New York City who conducted a

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good deal of investigation for some insurance companies in connection with the suicide of LAWRENCE DUGGAN. ROARK made available to this office copies of letters he allegedly obtained from Miss BESS N. TRINKS, Assistant to LAWRENCE DUGGAN at the International Institute of Education. Some of these letters are communications between DUGGAN and NOEL FIELD and subsequently between DUGGAN, NOEL FIELD, and ALGER HISS. According to newspaper releases concerning the DUGGAN suicide, it appears that this organization is a fairly sizable one, as they maintain quarters on two floors of the building at 2 West 45th Street, New York City.

It is suggested that some effort be made to determine any financial connection between the Carnegie Foundation and the International Institute of Education, and if such a situation exists, it is suggested that inquiry be made through the officials of the International Institute for Education to determine whether there is any correspondence in the files of this organization that might be pertinent to the retrial of this case.

T. G. SPENCER,  
Special Agent

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
New York 7, New York

September 28, 1949

MEMO:

Re: JAHAM

Reference is made to memorandum of SA THOMAS G. SPENCER, dated September 8, 1949, concerning a comment made by VICTOR LASKY of the "World Telegram" to Assistant United States Attorney THOMAS F. MURPHY, Southern District of New York, to the effect that in the articles written by HENRY JULIAN WADLEIGH in the "New York Post and Home News" was some information that was inconsistent with WADLEIGH'S testimony.

It is to be noted that in compliance with Bureau instructions, the writer recently reviewed the series of twelve articles which appeared in the "New York Post and Home News" under the by-line of HENRY JULIAN WADLEIGH and concluded that the information therein is the same as that previously furnished to the Bureau by WADLEIGH, and omits only the true identity of the woman with whom WADLEIGH was associated in the Communist Party Movement, namely, ELEANOR NELSON SOYRING. It is to be noted further, that no inconsistencies have been observed between the testimony of WADLEIGH or his oral and published statements.

On September 14, 1949, the writer asked LASKY precisely what he had in mind when he indicated to MURPHY the above described "inconsistencies" and LASKY declared that he has no recollection whatsoever of making any such statement to Mr. MURPHY or anyone else. He said he has read the WADLEIGH articles carefully, but noted nothing new of interest therein and reiterated that he could not recall ever having made the statement to Mr. MURPHY that the articles were inconsistent with other statements made by WADLEIGH.

It is suggested that the above development be brought to the attention of Mr. MURPHY.

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New York 7, New York

September 28, 1949

MEMO:

Re: JAHAM

Reference is made to memorandum of SA THOMAS G. SPENCER dated September 8, 1949, which concerns BRUNO SCHACHNER, and wherein is set out a request by Assistant United States Attorney THOMAS F. MURPHY, Southern District of New York, that the loyalty file on SCHACHNER be reviewed for information in instant case.

This file (NY 121-6629) was reviewed by the [redacted] and there is no indication therein of any connection between HISS and SCHACHNER, except that the latter listed HISS as a reference when he applied for admission to the New York Bar, plus the further fact that SCHACHNER was an attorney in the Legal Division of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration at the time HISS was Assistant General Counsel thereof and knew him professionally.

It is to be noted that on February 24, 1949, SCHACHNER was interviewed at length by SA JOHN F. SULLIVAN in connection with his knowledge of an acquaintanceship with ALGER HISS. The results of this interview are set out on pages 71 and 72 of the report of SA ROBERT F. X. O'KEEFE, dated March 10, 1949, at New York.

It is suggested that the above be brought to the attention of Mr. MURPHY.

JOSEPH M. KELLY, SA

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September 27, 1949

MEMO

RE: JAHAM  
PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R

During the trial of instant case ALGER and PRISCILLA HISS have testified that during the first two weeks of August, 1937 they visited a Summer Camp known as Rigs-O-Marlow, near Chestertown, Maryland, which was operated by J. KELLOGG SMITH. During this period the HISSSES were actually living at the home of Mrs. WICKES in Chestertown, Maryland. Testimony was also offered indicating that TIMOTHY HOBSON, ALGER HISS' stepson, had a broken leg at the time he went to the Camp and the purpose of ALGER and PRISCILLA HISS' visits to this Camp each day during the first two weeks of August was to assist TIMOTHY HOBSON in his recovery from this broken leg.

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Numerous persons attending this Camp have been interviewed in an effort to determine whether ALGER and PRISCILLA HISS actually were at the Camp everyday during the first two weeks of August.

H. NORMAN GRIEB, of Chestertown, Maryland, who was a counselor at this Camp during the Summer of 1937, furnished a signed statement to Agents of the Baltimore Office on September 14, 1949. Among other things in this statement, GRIEB related that ALGER and PRISCILLA HISS told TIMOTHY HOBSON, in GRIEB'S presence, that they would not be around for a few days because ALGER HISS had to go to Washington, D. C. on business. GRIEB remembered the event particularly because TIMOTHY HOBSON became very upset at the thought of his stepfather leaving him, and cried. GRIEB did not recall seeing ALGER HISS for the next couple of days.

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It is requested that HARRY KEEN be immediately interviewed and questioned concerning his knowledge of the various people who were at the Camp and, in particular, all events that he recalls concerning TIMOTHY HOBSON and ALGER and PRISCILLA HISS. He should be specifically questioned as to the dates of his attendance as a counselor or camper at the Rigs-O'-Harlow Camp and whether or not TIMOTHY HOBSON or any individual with a broken leg in a cast or on crutches is recalled. The exact period of KEEN'S stay at the Summer Camp in 1937 should be ascertained and, if he knows TIMOTHY HOBSON, how long HOBSON'S leg was in a cast or the latter was on crutches; if he recalls ALGER and PRISCILLA HISS visiting HOBSON and, if so, the possible duration and frequency of such visits; whether the HISSSES left Chestertown for any period during the visit and their possible destination at the time of leaving and whether the HISSSES stayed in the vicinity of Chestertown during their visit. He should be asked whether he has in his possession any photographs, letters or records concerning the activities at Rigs-O'-Harlow Camp pertinent to this investigation.

THOMAS G. SPENCER, SA

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice

New York #7, New York

September 28, 1949

MEMO

RE: JAHAM  
PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R

With reference to the lead to determine what happened at the Carnegie Foundation for International Peace after CHAMBERS' accusation of ALGER HISS before the HCUA (Serial 4118), and the lead requesting that consideration be given to interviewing one or several of the trustees in order that a complete picture of ALGER HISS' connection with the Foundation might be obtained, it is to be noted that Doctor JAMES T. SHOTWELL, President of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, and ARTHUR BALLANTINE, Trustee, have been interviewed. Both have suggested that it would be advisable to peruse the records of the Endowment and particularly the stenographic minutes of the meetings of the Board of Trustees which Doctor SHOTWELL, in particular, said would be made available to the Bureau.

Unfortunately, Miss SAYRE, who has taken these minutes and who is responsible for the records of the Endowment and who Doctor SHOTWELL says is the only individual who knows about them, is yet on her extended Summer vacation and will not return until Monday, October 3, 1949. On that date Reporting Agent will review these records and at that time determine whether or not it will be necessary or feasible to interview trustees other than those who served on the Executive Board.

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In compliance therewith, there is being transmitted one copy of the report of SA Frank G. Johnstone, dated September 8, 1949 at Baltimore, Maryland.

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New York, New York.

September 27, 1949

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THOMAS G. SPENCER, SA

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United States Department of Justice

New York, New York

September 27, 1949

MEMO

RE: JAHAM  
PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R

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VICTOR LASKY, a Staff Writer for the "New York World Telegram," communicated with the writer on this date. He related that in connection with HISS' testimony relative to membership in the International Juridical Association, some information of value might be obtained from MORRIS WALKIN. LASKY stated that WALKIN is an ex-Communist and was associated with the Fur Workers' Union in New York City. LASKY stated that WALKIN'S information concerning the International Juridical Association and possibly of HISS' participation to some degree in this organization's work, would center probably around the year 1932. LASKY did not know of WALKIN'S present address but volunteered that his whereabouts could be determined through contacting HOWARD RUSHMORE, a writer for the "New York Journal American."

It is suggested that WALKIN be interviewed but that his whereabouts be obtained, if possible, through some source other than RUSHMORE.

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September 23, 1949

MEMO

Re: JAHAM

Reference is made to teletype dated September 22nd from the Los Angeles Office relative to the possible location of WILLIAM ROSEN in Los Angeles. On September 23rd I advised Mr. H. B. Fletcher that Assistant United States Attorney Thomas Murphy and Mr. Donegan had been consulted relative to the desirability of a subpoena for ROSEN as requested by the Los Angeles Office. They were of the opinion that a subpoena calling for ROSEN's appearance at the trial of HISS should be issued. They were willing to either issue this subpoena for service by agents of the Los Angeles Office or by the United States Marshal in Los Angeles, dependent on the Bureau's desires. Mr. Fletcher suggested that the subpoena be sent to the United States Marshal in Los Angeles and that we advise the Los Angeles Office of this fact. We should further advise Los Angeles that agents of that office should assist the United States Marshal in locating ROSEN in order that he may serve the subpoena on ROSEN.

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September 23, 1949

MEMORANDUM:

Re: JAHAM

Reference is made to the Los Angeles teletype of September 22, 1949, which sets out the results of the attempted interview with JOHN LOOTIS SHERMAN at Los Angeles. The contents of this teletype were made available to SAAG T. J. Donegan, and he related that in view of SHERMAN'S uncooperative attitude it was his present intention to bring SHERMAN before a Federal Grand Jury. Donegan declared that this could be accomplished in one of two ways--that is, by having SHERMAN brought to New York to appear before the Grand Jury in the Southern District of New York, or to have SHERMAN brought before a Grand Jury in Los Angeles.

Along these lines, Donegan inquired whether ISAAC FOLKOV had been interviewed in connection with the HISS case. The writer informed him that it was not believed FOLKOV was interviewed in connection with the HISS case. Donegan suggested that if the Bureau had no objection and such interview would not interfere with any pending investigation by the San Francisco Office, such an interview should be conducted by the San Francisco Office. He continued that in the event FOLKOV was uncooperative or the results of the interview indicated FOLKOV had further information, it might be decided to subpoena FOLKOV before the Federal Grand Jury in Los Angeles in the event SHERMAN was subpoenaed before a Los Angeles Grand Jury.

A review of the CHAMBERS file should be made to determine whether FOLKOV was interviewed in connection with instant matter, and if he was not, the San Francisco Office should be informed of Donegan's request.

T. G. SPENCER,  
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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
New York, New York

September 26, 1949

MEMO

RE: JAHAM  
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RE: CATLETT FAMILY

Reference is made to the memoranda of SA Thomas G. Spencer, dated July 21, 1949, (serials 4118 and 4123) and to the marginal notations of Assistant Director E. J. Connelley set out on serial 4123.

Reference is made also to New York letter to the Bureau, copies to Washington Field and Anchorage, dated August 26, 1949, (serial 4246).

The review of the files and trial testimony suggested in referenced memoranda regarding the CATLETT FAMILY has been completed and the results thereof have been set out in referenced New York letter to the Bureau, with appropriate investigation requested of the Washington Field Office.

THOMAS F. MURPHY, Assistant United States Attorney, Southern District of New York, has advised the writer that he does not contemplate calling any of the CATLETT FAMILY as Government witnesses in the forthcoming re-trial of ALGER HISS but believes that the CATLETTS again will be called as witnesses for the defense.

JAMES P. MARTIN, SA.

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New York, New York

September 23, 1949

MEMO:

RE: JAHAM

During the recent trial of the HISS Case, considerable testimony was given by the defendant and others indicating that during the first two weeks in August, 1937, ALGER and PRISCILLA HISS were in Chestertown, Maryland, every day during that period. CHAMBERS testified that on August 10, 1937, he accompanied Mr. and Mrs. HISS on a motor trip from Washington, D.C., to Hancock, Vermont, and returned to New York City. The Baltimore office has obtained a list of numerous people who were either campers or in some way associated with RIGGS O. MARLOW, a summer camp operated by J. KELLOGG SMITH, where the HISS boy, TIMMY HOBSON, was located during July and August, 1937. One of the individuals at Chestertown during this period is SESSALY COULDO. It has now been determined that she is Mrs. FREDERICK BURTON KRAFFT and resides at 89 South Highland Avenue, Ossining, New York.

It is requested that Mrs. KRAFFT be interviewed for any information she may have concerning TIMMY HOBSON, ALGER and PRISCILLA HISS and particularly their presence in Chestertown and RIGGS O. MARLOW during August of 1937. *Deadline 9-30-49*

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United States Department of Justice  
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September 23, 1949

MEMORANDUM:

Re: JAHAM

Reference is made to New York teletype dated September 20, 1949, in connection with STEPHEN GIBBONS and Messrs. KAUFFMAN, SEWALL and Commissioner ANSLINGER. In view of the Bureau's teletype of September 22, it appears it will be necessary for this office to interview STEPHEN GIBBONS, 150 West 58th Street, New York City, in connection with the subject matter mentioned in the New York teletype.

T. C. SPENCER,  
Special Agent

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
New York, N. Y.

September 22, 1949

MEMORANDUM:

Re: JAHAM

Reference is made to the writer's memorandum of September 21, in connection with an interview had with NICHOLAS VAZZANA, an investigator for the law firm of Cravath, Swaine and Moore, New York City.

During the conversation with VAZZANA, he volunteered that it might be worthwhile for this office to confidentially contact JOHN G. BROADY, indicating that the latter had conducted quite a bit of investigation for the HISS lawyers in the early stages of this case. It will be recalled that HORACE SCHWALL did, so far as it could be ascertained, all of the legal work for BROADY, and as it will also be recalled, confidentially through ARMAND CHANKALIAN, administrative assistant to the United States Attorney, SDNY, turned over the results of his investigations. The most significant information revealed by SCHWALL was the rental by HAROLD ROSENWALD, one of HISS' lawyers and investigators, of a Woodstock typewriter of the same model as the FANSLER Woodstock typewriter, and which typewriter was kept in the office of Debevoise, Plimpton and McLean for several months prior to the trial of this case. It is of course possible that BROADY may have some information other than the information supplied by SCHWALL. However, in view of BROADY'S unsavory background and particularly the recent publicity of BROADY'S trial in connection with the wire-tapping episode revolving around the Kings County Buick Company, it is not believed that any approach should be made to BROADY.

T.G. SPENCER,  
Special Agent

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TO : SAC, New York

DATE: 9-20-49

FROM : SAE, New Haven

SUBJECT: JANAM

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Re FBI Laboratory report dated 14th instant, copies of which were forwarded New York Office. It is noted that in the Laboratory report, there is set out that the entry "Capt. and Mrs. H. T. SMITH, Washington, D. C., dated 7-16-37", is in the same general style of writing used by PRISCILLA HISS, but there were not sufficiently comparable with the known handwriting specimens, of either PRISCILLA HISS or ALGER HISS or WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, to permit a definite conclusion to be reached.

It is requested that the New York Office ascertain from CHAMBERS whether or not he knows if either ALGER or PRISCILLA HISS used the alias of SMITH.

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United States Department of Justice  
New York, New York

September 21, 1949

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MEMO

Re: JAHAM

On the afternoon of September 20th I received a call from ASAC Lally of the Baltimore Office relative to our letter requesting that arrangements be made for Assistant United States Attorney Murphy and an agent of this office to interview CHAMBERS before the retrial of HISS. Mr. Lally advised that CHAMBERS has been in Wisconsin attending a Fair, where he has been displaying cattle from his farm. He is driving his truck back at the present time enroute to his home in Westminster, and will arrive at home on Thursday, September 22nd. He then plans to be at home from the 22nd until about the 30th, when he will leave in time to drive to another Fair in Iowa, arriving there on October 3rd. He plans to be in Iowa until October 8th. Mr. Lally advised that CHAMBERS had not known that the retrial was set for October 10th, and this may change his plans to attend the Fair in Iowa. Upon CHAMBERS' return on September 22nd, the Baltimore Office will interview him and let us know of his current plans, as he may well decide not to go to Iowa in view of the pending trial.

I advised Mr. Lally that such information will be furnished to Assistant United States Attorney Murphy.

A. H. BELMONT  
ASAC

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
New York, N. Y.

September 21, 1949

MEMORANDUM:

Re: JAHAM

Reference is made to Bureau <sup>WFO</sup> teletype dated September 19, 1949, which in substance states that LOU RUSSELL, Chief Investigator for the HCUA, is apparently in possession of information from NICHOLAS S. VAZZANA, 103 Park Avenue, New York City, indicating that IRMA COHEN, divorced wife of MAX LIEVER, was with PRISCILLA HISS and ESTHER CHAMBERS at a farm in Bucks County during the pertinent period. This teletype also states that MAX LIEVER is alleged to have married IRMA COHEN in 1924 and was divorced from her in 1932; that IRMA COHEN was born in New York City on April 10, 1905, and is the daughter of EMANUEL C. COHEN who resides or has offices at 1295 Madison Avenue, New York City.

On this date the writer interviewed VAZZANA, who, it will be recalled, was one of the investigators employed by the law firm of Cravath, Swaine and Moore, who represented CHAMBERS during the latter part of 1948 on behalf of Time, Inc. VAZZANA stated that he had made this information available to the HCUA and that the farm in Bucks County he had reference to was the Summer cottage which had been rented in 1935 by MAX LIEVER and WHITTAKER CHAMBERS. He related that he was quite positive that his information was to the effect that in 1935 LIEVER'S wife had been at the CHAMBERS - LIEVER Summer cottage in Smithtown and had seen PRISCILLA HISS there, and possibly ALGER HISS.

In view of the fact that CHAMBERS has related to agents of this office that LIEVER was not married in 1935 and further by the fact that in 1936 LIEVER had allowed the CHAMBERS family to use his farm in New Hope, Pennsylvania, and subsequently brought his "new wife" to live with the CHAMBERS for a short period of time, VAZZANA was questioned as to these facts. He related that he was unaware of how many wives LIEVER had or the dates on which he was divorced from any of these women, but was quite sure that the information he had concerned the Summer residence at Smithtown. VAZZANA also stated that he has several photographs of instant cottage at Smithtown which were taken in 1939, and would make these photographs available to this office in the event they were needed.

In connection with VAZZANA'S reference to IRMA COHEN, the divorced wife of MAX LIEVER, reference is made to the report of Special Agent *Spencer*

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Robert F. X. O'Keefe dated February 29, 1949, at New York in instant case, which on page 11 sets forth the following:

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"Mrs. LEONARD GALEN, 39-57 - 45th Street, Long Island City, New York, the divorced wife of 'AXI' LIEBER, was interviewed by the writer on February 1, 1949, to determine if she knew WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, ALGER, or PRISCILLA HISS. She stated that she was completely separated from 'AXI' LIEBER by 1933 and had nothing to do with him from then on. She was never in Pennsylvania with him after 1933 and did not know CHAMBERS or the HISSSES."

*See Martin*  
*Lead*  
*See Mrs. G. J. J. J.*  
As a matter of speculation, the possibility may exist that LIEBER may have brought "CHARLOTTE" to the Summer cottage at Smithtown, and it is also possible that LIEBER might have palmed this woman off as his lawfully wedded wife. In view of CHAMBERS' statement that LIEBER brought his "new wife" to New Hope in 1936, it is possible that perhaps this woman may be the individual who VAZZANA has reference to. It is suggested, therefore, that efforts be made to determine the actual date of LIEBER'S divorce from IRMA COHEN, whose name is now Mrs. LEONARD GALEN, and the date of his subsequent marriage in order that the name of his wife might be obtained. This woman should be interviewed to determine whether she is the wife referred to by VAZZANA in his remarks to LOU RUSSELL. It is also suggested that Mr. and Mrs. CHAMBERS be again interviewed to determine whether they can recall any female accompanying LIEBER to the Smithtown cottage during the Summer of 1935, and particularly if this woman might be the unknown CHARLOTTE.

T. G. SPENCER,  
Special Agent

New York, N. Y.  
September 18th, 1949.

MEMO

Re: Walter Winchell Broadcast  
Station WJZ, 9:00 PM 9/18/49.

Winchell declared that "Judge Rifkind will not preside at the next Hiss trial."

He also said that the trial of Tokio Rose in San Francisco is about to end, and that it probably would not have been tried if he had not read on one of his broadcasts a letter he received from a Mother in Glens Falls, N. Y. He then asserted that Clark Lee, well-known newsman, had dug up the amazing story of U. S. Army Sergeant PROVOO and the latter's dealings with the Japanese. Winchell said that there would be brought out in the trial of PROVOO the circumstances surrounding the killing by the Japs of U. S. Army Captain Thompson who argued with the Japs for food for U. S. prisoners after Corregidor, and also the fact that PROVOO forced U. S. Army Nurses to launder the dirty underwear of the Japs.

Winchell also said that several West Coast supporters of Hitler would be prosecuted shortly.

He also commented that the Dep't. of Justice and the FBI know all about the Continental Congress held in Mexico City last week at which O. John Rogge and Mrs. Paul Robeson were among the speakers. Winchell declared that Henry Wallace and Charlie Chaplin wired their best wishes to the conference.

Joseph M. Kelly,  
Special Agent.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
New York, N. Y.

September 20, 1949

MEMORANDUM:

Re: JAHAM

SA Bert Zander of the Washington Field Office called this morning in connection with the contemplated interview of GEORGE ROULHAC. According to most recent information, ROULHAC left Seattle yesterday en route to New York City and later to Washington, D. C. Zander stated that Special Agent J. J. Walsh is entirely familiar with the situation concerning ROULHAC and the CATLETT family, and had contemplated interviewing ROULHAC. Zander suggested that when ROULHAC arrived in New York City inquiry should be made to determine if he is going to proceed immediately to Washington, D. C., and if so, Walsh will interview him upon his arrival in Washington. If, however, ROULHAC anticipates spending some considerable time in New York City, he stated that it would probably be advisable to have Agent Walsh come to New York City for the purpose of reinterviewing ROULHAC.

T. G. SPENCER,  
Special Agent

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